

because the replacement is needed to maintain the integrity of its mainline transmission system and reduce the risk of pipeline failure and service interruptions to its shippers.

Northwest states that the replacement will occur entirely within Northwest's existing permanent right-of-way, at milepost 539.1 on Northwest's mainline in Caribou County, ID, and that the estimated cost of the proposed project is approximately \$870,000—\$770,000 to construct the replacement pipeline segment and \$100,000 to remove the existing pipeline segment.

Northwest states that: (1) the 22-inch pipeline to be replaced was originally constructed by Northwest's predecessor, Pacific Northwest Pipeline, pursuant to a certificate authorization in Docket No. G-1429 (13 FPC 221); (2) several areas of new temporary construction workspace and a new access road (which may not have been included in the scope of the original construction certificate authorization) will be required to accommodate the construction techniques Northwest needs to employ to remove the existing pipeline from the casing and to install the new replacement pipeline, either in the existing casing or in a new bored, uncased railroad crossing in the existing permanent right-of-way; and (3) Northwest is seeking the subject abandonment and certificate approvals because the contemplated use of temporary construction workspace areas and a new access road do not meet the guidelines for a facilities replacement project under 18 CFR 2.55(b), as clarified in the Commission's March 15, 1995 letter to Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company in Docket No. CP95-198-000.

Northwest also states that, to avoid service disruptions to its customers receiving service at the Soda Springs Meter Station during construction, Northwest will install a temporary 2-inch (above-ground) pipeline, extending approximately 4,120 feet from upstream of the closed block valve to that delivery point.

Any person desiring to be heard, or to make any protest with reference to said application should, on or before June 4, 1996, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene or protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding.

Any person wishing to become a party to the proceeding, or to participate as a party in any hearing therein, must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application, if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, or if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Northwest to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Lois D. Cashell,

*Secretary.*

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**[Docket No. ER96-1663-000]**

**Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and Southern California Edison Co., Notice of Filing**

May 14, 1996.

Take notice that Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and Southern California Edison Company ("the Companies"), on April 29, 1996, tendered for filing a Joint Application for Authority To Sell Electric Energy at Market-Based Rates Using a Power Exchange. The application describes the way prices will be determined for sales through the Power Exchange ("PX") and the structure and governance of the PX. The Companies propose to supplement the market power showing in the application on May 29, 1996. The Commission anticipates that it will issue an additional notice for the supplemental filing, with a new comment date, at that time.

In addition, the application sets forth recommended time frames for actions by the Companies, the Commission, and the participants in this proceeding. The Commission invites comments on these procedural proposals in addition to comments on the substantive proposal.

Copies of the filing were served upon the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California and other interested parties.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such application should file a petition to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 214 and 211 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18, CFR 385.214 and 385.211. All petitions or protests should be filed on or before June 13, 1996. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a petition to intervene. Copies of this application are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Lois D. Cashell,

*Secretary.*

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**[Docket No. EL96-48-000]**

**Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and Southern California Edison Co., Notice of Filing**

May 14, 1996.

Take notice that Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and Southern California Edison Company ("the Companies"), on April 29, 1996, tendered for filing a Petition for a Declaratory Order. This petition requests that the Commission confirm the delineation of certain facilities as "local distribution" (subject to state regulation) and certain other facilities as "transmission" (subject to Commission jurisdiction) based upon their existing uses.

In addition, the application sets forth recommended time frames for actions by the Companies, the Commission, and the participants in this proceeding. The Commission invites comments on these procedural proposals in addition to comments on the substantive proposals.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such application should file a petition to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 214 and 211 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.214 and 385.211. All petitions or protests should be filed on or before June 13, 1996. Protests will be considered by the